

The FIRST NATIONAL BANK

OF BROWNSVILLE, TEXAS

ESTABLISHED 1891

Our Aim in Business

WE DESIRE to make the First National the Bank of the People. The small depositor receives the same courteous treatment and consideration that is extended to the largest, within the limits of safe and conservative banking. Officers give personal attention to all details. Directors meet regularly and frequently, and keep closely in touch with the current business. Every safeguard known to safe and successful banking is availed of, and our past success is the best criterion by which to judge the security of the future.

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SOIL VARIATIONS.

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elevated portions, none of which, however, are more than a few feet above the general level. It has artesian water at from 800 to 1,100 ft. depth and in satisfactory flows. The timber is very heavy in this section, consisting of mesquite, brush ebony, and others; the first named here reaches a height of 40 feet. This is considered the citrus and English walnut country of the south.

Area No. 5. This is the alluvial deposit section of the Rio Grande river, which evidently in ages past had its mouth considerably north of its present one. It is a great deposit of alluvial loam with exceedingly fine sand. The section is occasionally cut with arroyos or resacas (old river beds), none of which, except the Arroyo Colorado, carries water except at the high water stage of the river itself. The Arroyo Colorado is about 30 feet deep, 200 feet wide, and furnishes a valuable safety valve to the river at overflow periods. It is practically navigable for many miles, the salt water backing up for twenty miles or more. This river area is exceedingly rich, the soil except on the few broad ridges being of a very close fine texture and exceedingly productive but rather heavy. So far it has proved the best sugar-cane land in the U. S., producing heavier tonnage, higher sugar content, and requiring less frequent plantings by several years. The low-lying portions are subject to occasional overflows and well adapted to pecans, as proven by many accidental trees. The slightly higher lands are probably adapted to English walnuts. Corn, cotton, and all varieties of truck and general agricultural crops are also grown on the latter character of land, which embraces the larger portion of this area. Considerable areas toward the mouth of the river are so flat as to require careful and complete drainage systems before being available, even after irrigation is

supplied. Irrigation is necessary in every one of these areas in order to insure full crops every year. In this area no artesian water has ever been found.

Area No. 6. 1st. portion. The upper Rio Grande region, extending from 40 miles above Brownsville to Laredo, consists of an overflow strip lying close to the river, varying in width from several miles to much less toward the north. This is very rich, being alluvial and usually overflowed twice during the year, but sometimes not for years in succession. It is splendidly adapted to pecans and much of it is said to produce two crops of corn yearly, each of 50 bushels per acre. This alluvial strip lies a considerable distance from the river.

Area No. 6. 2nd portion, is the strip lying 6 to 12 feet higher and seldom overflowed, which, when irrigated by pumping plants from the river, produces immense crops of alfalfa, sugar corn etc., and is probably the best Smyrna fig and English Walnut section.

Area No. 6. 3rd section. This is a strip lying probably 20 to 40 ft. above the river, consisting at the brink of gravelly hills or some times limy hills, back of which stretches a mesa land slightly undulating and extending for many miles northerly and easterly away from the river. This land, with irrigation, would produce many subtropic fruits, but would be the most costly to irrigate of any described. Surface wells of good water of 30 to 60 ft. depth are procured, and it is thought probable that artesian water will be found in some or all parts. All of these areas and river districts are more or less broken up, according to the configuration of the country. (Signed) G. W. OLIVER.

The really necessary articles in a manure set are, cuticle scissors, orangewood stick, fine file and a buffer.

AN ORDINANCE

Providing for the levy, assessment, and collection of taxes to defray the current expenses of the city government, for street and bridge purposes, and for the erection, construction, etc., of permanent improvements, within the city limits of the city of Brownsville, for the year A. D. 1906.

Be it ordained by the city council of the city of Brownsville: that for the year A. D. 1906, there is now hereby levied, and shall be assessed and collected, the following taxes upon all property, real, personal, and mixed, situated within the city of Brownsville, Texas, as follows, to-wit:

First.—For the purpose of defraying the current expenses of the city government of the city of Brownsville, for the year A. D. 1906, there is now hereby levied an ad valorem tax of twenty-five

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(25c) cents on the one hundred (\$100.00) dollars cash value thereof, estimated in lawful currency of the United States, (which said cash value shall be estimated in the manner prescribed by the laws of this state and ordinances of this city.) on all property, real, personal, or mixed, situated in the said city of Brownsville, county of Cameron, and State of Texas, not specially exempted from taxation by the laws of this state and ordinances of this city, on the first (1) day of January, A. D. 1906, and on all property sent out of said city of Brownsville, Texas, prior to said first day of January, 1906, for the purpose of evading the payment of taxes thereon, and afterwards returned to said city.

Second.—For the purpose of improving and keeping in repair the roads, streets, and bridges within the city limits of the city of Brownsville, county of Cameron, State of Texas, there is now hereby levied an ad valorem tax of fifteen (15c) cents on the one hundred (\$100.00) cash value thereof, estimated in lawful currency of the United States, (which said cash value shall be estimated in the manner prescribed by the laws of this state and ordinances of this city.) on all property, real, personal, or mixed, situated in the said city of Brownsville, county of Cameron, State of Texas, and not specially exempted from taxation by the laws of this state and ordinances of this city, on the first day of January, A. D. 1906, and on all property sent out of said city of Brownsville prior to the said first day of January, A. D. 1906, for the purpose of evading the payment of taxes thereon, and afterwards returned to said city.

Third.—For the purpose of the erection and construction of public buildings, streets, sewers, and other public improvements within the limits of the said city of Brownsville, county of Cameron, State of Texas, there is now hereby levied an ad valorem tax of twenty-five (25c) cents on the one hundred (\$100.00) cash value thereof, estimated in lawful currency of the United States, (which said cash value shall be estimated in the manner prescribed by the laws of this state and ordinances of this

city.) on all property, real, personal, or mixed, situated in the said city of Brownsville, county of Cameron, and State of Texas, not specially exempted from taxation by the laws of this state and ordinances of this city, on the first (1) day of January, A. D. 1906, and on all property sent out of said city of Brownsville, Texas, prior to said first day of January, 1906, for the purpose of evading the payment of taxes thereon, and afterwards returned to said city.

Fourth.—All of the aforesaid taxes, so levied, shall be paid in lawful currency of the United States only.

Fifth.—That all such taxes as hereinbefore levied shall become due and payable on the first (1) day of October, A. D. 1906.

Sixth.—That all such taxes as hereinbefore levied and provided for by this ordinance, if not paid on or before the first day of February, A. D. 1907, shall thereafter bear interest until paid at the rate of six (6%) per centum per annum.

Seventh.—If any person, or association of persons, firm, or corporation shall fail or refuse to pay the taxes imposed upon him or them, or his or their property by this ordinance, until the thirty-first (31) day of January, A. D. 1907, a penalty of ten (10%) per centum shall accrue on the entire amount of such taxes due by him or them.

Eighth.—It is hereby made the duty of the tax collector of this city to collect all such taxes, interest and penalties that may accrue, as hereinbefore provided, and all such interest and penalties shall be fully collected by him at the same time as such tax upon which such interest or penalties may have accrued, is collected by him.

Ninth.—That all ordinances, or parts of ordinances, in anywise in conflict with this ordinance, are now hereby repealed.

Tenth.—That this ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after ten (10) days publication hereof as required by law in such cases made and provided.

Approved May 21st, 1906.
FREDERICK J. COMBE,
Mayor.
Attest: F. CHAMPION,
City Secretary.